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SUBJECT: AUSTRALIAN RECOGNITION OF NORTH KOREA

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1. SUMMARY: GOA HAS DECIDED DEFER RECOGNITION DPRK FOR FEW WEEKS AND TO SEEK RECIPROCAL RECOGNITION OF ROKG BY EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRY. HOWEVER, RECOGNITION DPRK BY END FEBRUARY IS MOST LIKELY WITH OR WITHOUT RECIPROCAL ACTION. END SUMMARY.
2. PM WHITLAM AND FORMIN WILLESEE HAVE REVIEWED REACTIONS OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS AND HAVE DECIDED TO DELAY RECOGNITION DPRK UNTIL NEW ROK AMBASSADOR HAS OPPORTUNITY MEET WITH WHITLAM, ON CONDITION AMBASSADOR ARRIVES EARLY IN FEBRUARY.
3. GOA WILL ENDEAVOR PERSUADE AN EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRY TO TAKE RECIPROCAL ACTION AND WILL FIRST APPROACH BELEGRADE. GOA UNDECIDED ON WHICH OTHER GOVERNMENT TO APPROACH IF THAT FAILS AND WOULD VALUE ORU ADVICE (CANBERRA 501).
4. JAPANESE AMBASSADOR YOSHIDA TOLD CHARGE HE MADE REPRESENTATIONS TO DFA SECRETARY RENOUF AND ASSISTANT CONFIDENTIAL

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SECRETARY HANDMER YESTERDAY. HE MENTIONED RISK OF COMPLICATING PROGRESS IN UN, DESIRABILITY OF RECIPROCAL RECOGNITION, POORT TIMING FROM STANDPOINT DIET AS WELL AS FROM DEVELOPMENTS IN KOREA. HE ALSO

ADVISED AUSTRALIANS THAT THEY SHOULD ADOPT ASIAN
STYLE IN DEALING WITH ASIANS-APPROACH NEW POLITICAL
POSITIONS GENTLY AND GRADUALLY RATHER THAN IN SUDDEN
JUMPS. (COMMENT: YOSHIDA HAS ODD VAGUE STYLE AND
HIS DEMARCH MAY HAVE BEEN MORE EMPHATIC IN THE
TELLING THAN IN THE DOING).

5. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION WITH CHARGE, HANDMER
RETURNED TO THEME THAT ROKG MUST BE INDUCED TO UNDER-
STAND THA GOA HAS MADE POLITICAL DECISION AND WILL
ACT BEFORE LONG. ROKG SHOULD BE REFLECTING ON
OWN SELF INTEREST WHICH LIES IN ACCEPTING GOA ACTION
GRACEFULLY RATHER THAN REACTING SO AS TO PUBLICIZE
TO DPRK "VICTORY,Z HE SAID. GOA WOULD EVEN HOPE
PERSUADE THIS CONSTRUCTIVE OUTCOME MIGHT WELL HINGE
ON SUCCESS OF GOA IN OBTAINING RECIPROCAL EAST
EUROPEAN ACTION.

6. DEUTY SECRETARY WOLLCOTT, WHO IS CLOSE TO
WHITLAM, SAYS HE BELIEVES WHITLAM DETERMINED TO
PROCEED WITH RECOGNITION PRIOR RECONVENING OF
PARLIAMENT FEBRUARY 28.
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